

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING: Thursday, May 15, 2003, 1:30 p.m., Conference Room No. 106, First Floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Francis, Jim McKee, Bob Ripley and Carol Walker; (Jerry Berggren, Bruce Helwig and Terry Young absent). Ed Zimmer and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department; and other interested citizens.

STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING: Regular Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Chair Bob Ripley called the meeting to order and requested a motion approving the minutes for the regular meeting held April 17, 2003. Motion for approval made by McKee, seconded by Ripley. Motion for approval carried 4-0: Francis, McKee, Ripley and Walker voting 'yes'; Berggren, Helwig and Young absent.

The opportunity was given for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission. No one appeared.

UPDATE/APPLICATION BY NUSTYLE DEVELOPMENT FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT THE OLD FEDERAL BUILDING, 121 N. 10TH STREET, A DESIGNATED LANDMARK
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Members present: Francis, McKee, Ripley and Walker; Berggren, Helwig and Young absent.

Steve Weber appeared to present information.

McKee inquired about the comfort station. Mr. Weber replied that it is not included in the initial building permit. Ripley would like to see a city information office. Ed Zimmer noted that the city has easements on all 4 facades.

Mr. Weber provided copies of site plans to the Commissioners.

Mr. Zimmer stated that we will be able to include the comfort station in the National Register nomination by using the approach of nominating the whole of "Government Square." The whole block is thereby included, as a complex of buildings.

Mr. Weber discussed details of the site plan with the Commissioners.

Mr. Weber stated that there hasn't been a whole lot of change in the plans. Ownership of the building has changed. Mechanical and electrical engineers have been hired as of last week. We will start to see a lot more activity happening on the building. The primary facade isn't being changed at all. Some landscaping will be changed. LES want to put a transformer on the corner. All of the Commissioners stated strong opposition to this idea. More construction details of the site plan were discussed.

Ripley thanked Mr. Weber for keeping the Commission updated.

STAFF REPORT:

- Mr. Zimmer was approached by Neighborhoods, Inc. about the possible relocation of a house from the Antelope Valley redevelopment area into the Hawley District. The problem with the possible site in the Hawley District (600 N. 26th) is that a house already occupies the lot.
- Mr. Zimmer stated that there was a serious house fire in the Bungalow District on 30th & "J" St. The insurance company regarded it as a total loss. The homeowner has decided to rebuild it. Ripley is impressed. That is a lot of work. The homeowner is to be commended.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.